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NEWLY ANNOUNCED DIRECTOR OF THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART HAS ROOTS IN NORTHEAST OHIO

Evan Hopkins Turner is a son of Albert Morton Turner and Percie Trowbridge Hopkins Turner. His mother's family has long lived in this region. The Trowbridge family moved in 1833 from the Northampton, Massachusetts, area to the Western Reserve via the Erie Canal. They settled initially in Ravenna and then in Hudson. The Hopkins family came to Cleveland from Wales in 1841. Dr. Turner's grandfather, Evan Henry Hopkins, was a lawyer and dean of Western Reserve Law School from 1895 to 1910. Dean Hopkins was one of nine brothers, among whom were: Benjamin, a founder of Cleveland Graphite; Arthur, a director and producer of plays in New York; and William, who was city manager of Cleveland from 1924 to 1929 and after whom Cleveland Hopkins Airport is named.

Dr. Turner's mother lives in Orono, Maine, where Dr. Turner was born on November 8, 1927. One of her sisters, Margaret Hopkins, who retired in 1969 as registrar of the School of Applied Social Services at Case Western Reserve University, remains in Cleveland.

Albert Morton Turner was born in the Boston area and became Professor of English and Comparative European Literature at the University of Maine. He was a great-nephew, and his son is a great-great-nephew, of the distinguished American painter Albert Bierstadt.

Brenda Winthrop Bowman Turner is descended from families in Boston and Honolulu. A graduate of Bryn Mawr, Mrs. Turner also did graduate

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study at the Ecole du Louvre. She and her husband met while he was on the staff of the Frick Collection and she was on the staff of the Museum of Modern Art, New York. Mrs. Turner has been active in organizations for special needs adoption services, is on the board of the Triangle Hospice in North Carolina, and serves as district scholarship chairman for Bryn Mawr.

Their children are John Winthrop Turner, a student at Hampshire College, and Jennifer Hopkins Turner, who will enter Hollins College in the fall of 1982.

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